

Table V.A.2.f(2004) Percent of private-sector establishments that offer health insurance that required a waiting period before new employees were eligible for health insurance by industry groupings and State: United States, 2004**

Division and State	Total	Agri, fish., forestry and construction	Mining and manufacturing	Retail, other services and unknown	Professional services	All other
United States	75.0%	68.2%	86.4%	78.3%	68.1%	76.4%
New England:						
Connecticut	73.7%	68.4%	80.4%	72.5%	74.8%	74.3%
Maine	79.5%	75.1%	93.0%	78.3%	77.7%	84.1%
Massachusetts	60.1%	47.5%	70.8%	69.1%	47.4%	68.5%
New Hampshire	74.6%	75.5%	85.2%	79.0%	68.3%	70.3%
Rhode Island	70.7%	57.4%	75.5%	72.9%	66.4%	77.9%
Vermont	69.0%	65.3%	92.2%	68.6%	66.8%	68.6%
Middle Atlantic:						
New Jersey	72.7%	58.6%	92.8%	79.1%	56.7%	79.5%
New York	65.0%	52.4%	84.4%	70.3%	60.1%	60.2%
Pennsylvania	70.2%	68.9%	94.8%	67.2%	69.9%	67.3%
East North Central:						
Illinois	71.0%	71.9%	95.0%	71.1%	59.8%	73.0%
Indiana	79.7%	62.7%	93.8%	80.0%	72.8%	84.9%
Michigan	74.2%	71.6%	88.7%	76.9%	63.8%	75.3%
Ohio	68.0%	67.6%	80.2%	71.9%	62.1%	64.6%
Wisconsin	76.7%	76.0%	89.9%	78.6%	71.5%	73.1%
West North Central:						
Iowa	71.9%	52.4%	87.9%	71.6%	70.6%	79.4%
Kansas	65.4%	46.3%	76.9%	65.3%	63.3%	73.3%
Minnesota	74.0%	83.4%	89.6%	66.0%	76.1%	73.6%
Missouri	81.0%	81.3%	95.5%	84.2%	66.2%	86.0%
Nebraska	67.1%	48.7%	76.6%	71.7%	65.9%	69.2%
North Dakota	59.2%	43.2%	81.8%	65.8%	47.3%	63.0%
South Dakota	75.2%	39.8% *	100.0%	75.9%	80.7%	78.3%
South Atlantic:						
Delaware	83.9%	93.7%	80.8%	81.8%	86.6%	80.4%
District of Columbia	63.5%	88.4%	100.0% *	66.8%	52.2%	79.9%
Florida	77.9%	38.9%	88.3%	82.5%	78.8%	85.6%
Georgia	76.1%	74.1%	89.6%	81.1%	59.9%	79.6%
Maryland	75.6%	85.7%	85.4%	75.5%	75.2%	68.4%
North Carolina	79.5%	83.9%	87.3%	82.6%	72.2%	77.8%
South Carolina	79.8%	90.2%	89.0%	79.7%	74.1%	77.4%
Virginia	73.4%	73.3%	83.1%	83.7%	55.3%	68.2%
West Virginia	74.6%	75.1%	86.5%	83.7%	73.9%	53.9%
East South Central:						
Alabama	74.2%	84.3%	94.9%	71.0%	67.1%	77.3%
Kentucky	78.6%	77.8%	84.9%	75.2%	84.9%	77.4%
Mississippi	76.9%	67.2%	91.6%	79.6%	65.9%	80.6%
Tennessee	77.9%	85.0%	83.7%	78.5%	68.4%	82.7%
West South Central:						
Arkansas	79.3%	55.6%	77.6%	76.6%	81.9%	88.6%
Louisiana	81.3%	78.0%	92.6%	76.3%	83.6%	83.7%
Oklahoma	75.9%	61.2%	58.3%	78.4%	70.3%	85.9%
Texas	83.3%	63.1%	85.3%	91.7%	76.9%	80.0%
Mountain:						
Arizona	83.1%	73.3%	82.8%	87.4%	84.9%	77.7%
Colorado	77.2%	87.8%	80.3%	85.3%	71.7%	68.9%
Idaho	80.5%	54.9%	95.3%	83.3%	79.0%	86.6%
Montana	73.1%	44.6%	56.5%	83.0%	74.1%	78.1%
Nevada	84.3%	88.3%	90.2%	91.4%	75.3%	79.6%
New Mexico	79.2%	77.2%	78.5%	87.5%	67.2%	75.7%
Utah	80.4%	80.2%	78.7%	81.2%	75.0%	84.2%
Wyoming	77.9%	68.5%	45.3% *	87.8%	74.0%	82.1%
Pacific:						
Alaska	80.4%	80.4%	95.3%	77.3%	81.7%	80.9%
California	78.6%	75.9%	83.6%	85.4%	64.8%	83.0%
Hawaii	69.2%	77.4%	57.2%	73.5%	58.6%	69.6%
Oregon	79.2%	88.8%	99.4%	79.8%	71.7%	77.6%
Washington	82.1%	61.3%	82.4%	85.0%	84.7%	84.1%

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Table V.A.2.f(2004) Standard error for percent of private-sector establishments that offer health insurance that required a waiting period before new employees were eligible for health insurance by industry groupings and State: United States, 2004**

Division and State	Total	Agri, fish., forestry and construction	Mining and manufacturing	Retail, other services and unknown	Professional services	All other
United States	0.47%	1.25%	1.31%	0.70%	1.25%	0.44%
New England:						
Connecticut	1.75%	12.87%	8.64%	4.19%	4.14%	9.54%
Maine	2.36%	10.94%	3.37%	3.96%	3.14%	5.64%
Massachusetts	3.43%	10.64%	5.96%	5.78%	6.68%	10.00%
New Hampshire	1.84%	7.47%	6.65%	6.05%	7.52%	7.79%
Rhode Island	2.30%	13.72%	10.40%	3.28%	6.34%	5.96%
Vermont	3.79%	11.83%	10.65%	6.74%	5.81%	7.64%
Middle Atlantic:						
New Jersey	2.96%	8.60%	4.13%	4.90%	6.46%	5.75%
New York	2.70%	9.30%	4.72%	5.05%	2.09%	5.23%
Pennsylvania	1.71%	9.94%	3.02%	4.79%	4.29%	4.70%
East North Central:						
Illinois	2.13%	8.39%	3.22%	4.40%	6.06%	4.51%
Indiana	2.04%	12.07%	5.20%	5.25%	7.41%	4.37%
Michigan	2.31%	9.64%	4.56%	3.87%	7.02%	6.14%
Ohio	2.14%	9.05%	5.56%	2.03%	5.87%	5.49%
Wisconsin	2.20%	7.11%	4.93%	5.05%	8.37%	7.97%
West North Central:						
Iowa	4.02%	11.40%	8.33%	5.35%	9.07%	6.40%
Kansas	3.05%	13.14%	10.33%	6.47%	6.40%	7.19%
Minnesota	3.10%	13.38%	7.24%	7.58%	6.02%	6.05%
Missouri	2.06%	8.94%	2.72%	3.09%	6.16%	5.08%
Nebraska	3.22%	8.30%	7.59%	4.39%	9.48%	8.56%
North Dakota	2.09%	10.72%	15.69%	6.00%	10.91%	4.30%
South Dakota	3.03%	12.47% *	10.54%	3.84%	6.17%	8.13%
South Atlantic:						
Delaware	2.51%	5.46%	16.42%	3.42%	6.05%	6.20%
District of Columbia	4.40%	24.74%	31.62% *	5.10%	6.63%	7.03%
Florida	3.23%	11.01%	8.28%	2.32%	5.87%	4.13%
Georgia	3.21%	10.64%	6.10%	3.76%	8.42%	10.27%
Maryland	3.13%	5.17%	8.97%	4.46%	5.17%	5.55%
North Carolina	1.83%	10.22%	6.42%	5.75%	7.01%	5.78%
South Carolina	2.79%	4.06%	4.50%	4.25%	10.62%	6.58%
Virginia	2.45%	10.24%	9.87%	2.46%	6.50%	9.43%
West Virginia	2.34%	16.81%	4.53%	4.48%	5.89%	8.32%
East South Central:						
Alabama	2.02%	6.98%	2.35%	6.26%	3.75%	6.55%
Kentucky	2.90%	7.96%	3.91%	3.95%	5.20%	5.71%
Mississippi	2.74%	17.26%	2.29%	4.81%	9.58%	4.40%
Tennessee	3.16%	11.97%	8.20%	6.18%	6.97%	3.03%
West South Central:						
Arkansas	3.91%	12.61%	8.61%	4.54%	5.99%	6.77%
Louisiana	2.93%	13.62%	9.99%	9.97%	6.21%	5.84%
Oklahoma	2.79%	14.73%	10.26%	5.69%	5.96%	4.96%
Texas	2.16%	10.36%	6.53%	2.41%	4.99%	5.64%
Mountain:						
Arizona	2.25%	12.37%	13.82%	4.92%	4.44%	8.32%
Colorado	2.89%	9.57%	14.09%	4.58%	5.80%	4.97%
Idaho	2.97%	11.61%	3.70%	4.00%	6.16%	3.98%
Montana	3.34%	9.33%	15.86%	9.17%	5.90%	6.92%
Nevada	2.81%	7.60%	7.96%	2.92%	4.84%	7.58%
New Mexico	3.10%	13.48%	11.15%	2.33%	8.00%	7.74%
Utah	1.91%	10.75%	9.92%	6.02%	5.99%	5.72%
Wyoming	2.77%	12.51%	13.95% *	4.75%	4.85%	5.44%
Pacific:						
Alaska	2.26%	8.80%	22.49%	8.13%	5.01%	6.66%
California	1.42%	5.57%	3.26%	1.65%	3.88%	2.41%
Hawaii	3.46%	9.62%	15.94%	4.32%	5.45%	6.15%
Oregon	2.35%	5.31%	0.72%	6.14%	7.77%	3.82%
Washington	2.28%	12.94%	10.31%	3.20%	5.38%	4.01%

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